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Unitary shipments -----

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ARLINGTON, Va. -- U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during March totalled 305,789, an increase of 1.8 percent over March 1984. Year-to-date shipments were 796,364, up 0.1 percent from January-March 1984.

Included were 69,003 shipments of heat pumps, 1.4 percent more than March a year ago. Cumulative shipments of heat pumps for the first quarter of 1985 were 186,143, an increase of 0.4 percent over January-March 1984.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary by Size.)

NOTE TO EDITORS: The preceding totals have been expedited to better meet your deadlines. Information about monthly factory stocks, distributor shipments, distributor inventories, U.S. dollar bookings of hermetic centrifugals, and U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers will be added to an update release expected about May 10. The information in these two news releases also will continue to be reported each month in our Koldfax newsletter. -- MWH

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

Date MARCH 1985

UNITED STATES

	SIZE BTUH (000)		NUMBER OF UNITS			
			CONDENSER TYPE		U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1984
			AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	WATER COOLED B		
CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	Under 16.5		6504		6504	10.1+
	16.5-21.9		38016	1	33017	5.9+
	22-26.9		68584		68584	.2+
	27-32.9		57345		57345	8.7+
	33-38.9		57568	87	57655	10.7-
	39-43.9		19756		19756	6.3-
	44-53.9		23676		23676	15.8+
	54-64.9		21895	201	22096	6.1+
	65-96.9		4781	101	4882	15.3+
	97-134.9		3096	119	3215	9.4+
	135-184.9		1903	39	1942	8.7+
	185-249.9		673	24	697	22.1+
	250-319.9		433	29	462	42.6+
	320-379.9		252	25	277	40.6+
	380-539.9		197	30	227	11.8+
	540-639.9		152	19	171	74.5+
	640 and over		263	20	283	81.4+
	TOTAL		305094	695	305789	1.8

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March factory stocks were up 20,400 units from February, and up 61,400 units over March 1984.

March distributor shipments were up 10 percent from March 1984; year-to-date shipments are up 10 percent.

Distributor inventories were up 2,300 units compared to February, and up some 14,000 units over March 1984.

March U.S. dollar bookings of hermetic centrifugals were up 5 percent, making the year-to-date percentage up 69 percent compared to 1984.

March U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers were down 7 percent, but the year-to-date was 24 percent over 1984.

(Condensed Summary by Size previously provided in May 2 release.)

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